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REMARKS

This amendment accompanies the filing of a REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION following the final office action mailed on July 7, 2008. The Office Action rejected Applicants' Claims 47-61 and 64-65 as being obvious in view of the combination of EP 0943894A2 ("Livshutz") and US Patent No. 6,321,158 ("DeLorme"), and Claims 62-63 as being obvious in view of the combination of Livshutz, DeLorme and US Patent No. 6,707,421 ("Drury").

Applicants have canceled Claim 49 and amended Claims 47, 50, 56, 59, 64 and 65. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the present application in view of the following remarks. Applicants submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Independent Claim 47

Claim 47 was rejected as being obvious in view of the combination of the Livshutz¹ patent and DeLorme. Claim 47 recites "on a server, ... receiving a request for a route from an origin to a destination; calculating a route ... transmitting to a mobile unit data that represents the calculated route; and transmitting to the mobile unit the parcels that contain the data that represent the geographic features encompassed in the geographic sub-area said route passes through." Claim 47 is not obvious in view of this combination because it does not disclose all of the recited claim elements.

The Livshutz patent discloses a geographic database with subsets of geographic data for different navigation system functions, for example, routing data for route calculation. (*see* Livshutz: paragraph 0031). Although Livshutz discloses the route calculation, Livshutz does not disclose or suggest using the calculated route to identify geographic sub-areas and transmitting to the mobile unit the parcels that contain the data that represent the geographic features encompassed in the geographic sub-area said route passes through. That is, after the route is calculated, Livshutz discloses spatially accessing data necessary for navigation functions. (*see* Livshutz: paragraph 0039).

¹ The Livshutz patent is assigned to the assignee of the present application, NAVTEQ North America, LLC. To the extent permitted by law, any statements in the present Amendment regarding the disclosure of the Livshutz patent should not be used to restrict the scope of claims in the Livshutz patent.

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The Office Action cited DeLorme for disclosing using the calculated route to identify geographic sub-areas that the route passes through. (see Office Action, page 4). Although DeLorme identifies tiles within a radius of nodes (waypoints) along a route, DeLorme uses the identified tiles to obtain a list of points of interest (POI) around the route. (see DeLorme: Figures 6A & 6B, column 64, lines 50-52). DeLorme fails to disclose or suggest the claim element of “transmitting to the mobile unit the parcels that contain the data that represent the geographic features encompassed in the geographic sub-area said route passes through.”

Accordingly, the combination of Livshutz and DeLorme does not disclose or suggest all of the recited claim elements, and Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn.

Independent Claim 56

Claim 56 recites “transmitting to a client computing platform from the server data that represents the calculated route; and transmitting to the client computing platform from said repository a plurality of the parcels that contain the data that represent the geographic features encompassed in said geographic sub-areas said route passes through.” Claim 56 is not anticipated by the combination of Livshultz and DeLorme for similar reasons as discussed above in conjunction with Claim 47.

Independent Claim 64

Claim 64 recites wirelessly transmitting data representing said route from the server to said mobile computing platform; and wirelessly transmitting to said mobile computing platform from said repository the parcels that contain data that represent the geographic features encompassed in the geographic sub-areas located along said route.” Claim 64 is not anticipated by Livshultz for similar reasons as discussed above in conjunction with Claim 47.

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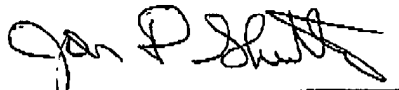
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Conclusion

With the present response, all the issues in the final Office Action mailed July 7, 2008 have been addressed. Applicant submits that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. If any issues remain, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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